

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1112 - HB 1184

March 9, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Includes language to the statutory objectives of the long-term care system which requires the long-term care system to ensure that residents' needs in institutions are delivered by qualified licensed persons and that these institutions comply with the same or similar building codes, fire codes, and all other statutory and rule requirements.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The facilities licensed by the Department of Health are currently held to the same or similar building codes, fire safety codes, etc.; therefore, the provisions of the bill will not significantly affect the licensure requirements for long-term care system institutions.
- Based on information from the Department of Health, many assisted care living facilities and adult care homes have unlicensed personnel. The provisions of the bill appear to require that all personnel have some type of licensure.
- It is unknown as to how many personnel are unlicensed, but if the provisions of the bill increase licensure applications, it is assumed that any increase in expenditures to process the applications will result in a corresponding increase in licensure revenue; therefore, the net impact is estimated to be not significant.
- Based on information provided by the Bureau of TennCare, the provisions of the bill will not have any impact on the long-term care programs; therefore, it is assumed there will be no impact to the payment or reimbursement rates provided through the long-term care system.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Jeffrey L. Spalding".

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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